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**Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554**

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COMMENTS INVITED ON ONEPOINT COMMUNICATIONS CORP'S APPLICATION TO DISCONTINUE PROVIDING DOMESTIC SERVICES

NSD File No. W-P-D-471

Section 214 Application

Applicant: OnePoint Communications Corp.

On September 18, 2000, OnePoint Communications Corp. ("OnePoint") filed an application requesting authority under section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue provision of interLATA toll service for current customers in Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Washington, D.C., as of October 31, 2000.

OnePoint states that it has sent notices to all affected customers informing them that OnePoint will no longer be their long distance carrier and that they must select a new long distance carrier, and providing the specific notification specified in section 63.71(a)(5)(i) of the Commission's rules. OnePoint estimates that a total of approximately 8,100 customers in Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Washington, D.C., will be affected by this service discontinuation, and that no customers will be left without long distance service at rates and terms equivalent to those that they now receive from OnePoint. To ensure that these customers do not suffer any service interruptions, OnePoint states in the application that it has arranged to transfer any remaining OnePoint long distance customers to Talk.com (d/b/a "The Phone Company"). Talk.com has committed to provide long distance service to those customers on the same or better rates, terms, and conditions that OnePoint currently offers.

OnePoint's application to discontinue domestic telex service and telex access service appears to be complete. This notice does not pertain to OnePoint's application to discontinue international services. OnePoint certifies that it has notified and sent a copy of its application to the Secretary of Defense and the Governor and Public Utilities Commission of each state in which the discontinuance is proposed, in accordance with section 214(b) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. § 214(b) and

section 63.71(a) of the Commission's regulation, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a).

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c), the application will be deemed to be automatically granted on the 31st day after the release date of this notice without any Commission notification to the applicant, unless the Commission has notified the applicant that the grant will not be automatically effective. The FCC will normally authorize proposed discontinuances of service unless it is shown that customers or other end users would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected.

Comments objecting to this application must be filed with the Commission by **November 9, 2000**. Such comments should refer to application file number **W-P-D-471**. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. Comments should be sent to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Two copies of the comments should also be sent to the Network Services Division, 445 12th Street, SW, Room 6-A207, Washington, DC 20554.

The application will be available for review and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 418-0270. The application may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc. (ITS), 1231 20TH Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036, telephone 202-857-3800, facsimile 202-857-3805, TTY 202-293-8810.

For further information, contact Marty Schwimmer, (202) 418-2320 (voice), mschwimm@fcc.gov, or Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), cweather@fcc.gov, of the Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau. The TTY number is (202) 418-0484.

For further information on Section 214s please visit our website at: <http://www.fcc.gov/ccb/nsd/documents/214.html>.

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